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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chair Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable David E. Price Chair Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Committee on Appropriations 2358-A Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mario Diaz-Balart Ranking Member Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Committee on Appropriations 2358-A Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro, Ranking Member Granger, Chair Price, and Ranking Member Diaz-Balart,

As you begin crafting the fiscal year 2023 Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies appropriations bill, I respectfully request that you consider providing \$5,000,000 for the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority Bus Rapid Transit Project for the City of Syracuse. The sponsor for this project is the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority, located at 200 Cortland Ave, Syracuse, New York 13205.

The requested funding amount of \$5,000,000 would be used toward implementing Bus Rapid Transit on the Eastwood to Onondaga Community College route corridor, the Syracuse University to William F. Walsh Regional Transportation Center route corridor and improvements to the South Salina Street Route corridor through signal pre-emption, themed bus stops and bus shelters, bus pull offs, and branded vehicles.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have significant benefits for my constituents in Syracuse and the surrounding region. Specifically, this project will provide faster, more frequent, and more reliable transit services between residential areas and activity centers in the City of Syracuse. In addition to providing enhanced transit services for the entire community, this project will help to promote economic development and improve the quality of life in our region.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. Furthermore, I am not aware of any other Member of Congress submitting a request for this purpose. Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

John Katko

Member of Congress